REMARKS

The Examiner required election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 of one of the following species:

Species I:

Drawn to Figure 1; and

Species II:

Drawn to Figure 9.

The Examiner further required election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 of one of the following sub-species:

Sub-Species A: Drawn to Figures 2-3; Sub-Species B: Drawn to Figure 6A; Sub-Species C: Drawn to Figure 6B; Sub-Species D: Drawn to Figure 6C; Sub-Species E: Drawn to Figure 7;

Sub-Species F: Drawn to Figure 7; Sub-Species F: Drawn to Figure 8;

Sub-Species G: Drawn to Figures 10a-10b;
Sub-Species H: Drawn to Figures 11a1-2;
Sub-Species I: Drawn to Figures 11b1-2;
Sub-Species J: Drawn to Figures 11c1-2;
Sub-Species K: Drawn to Figures 11d1-2;
Sub-Species L: Drawn to Figures 12a1-2;
Sub-Species M: Drawn to Figures 12b1-2:

Sub-Species M: Drawn to Figures 12b1-2; Sub-Species N: Drawn to Figures 12c1-2; and

Sub-Species O: Drawn to Figures 12d1-2.

In response to the election requirement, Applicants elect Species 1 and Sub-Species A. It is believed that claims 1-15 and 17-18 are readable on elected Species 1 and Sub-Species A. Applicants respectfully believe that at least claims 1-9, 11-15, and 17-18 are generic, in that all of these claims can be read on all the Species and Sub-Species defined by the Examiner.

Applicants note that upon allowance of a generic claim, applicants are entitled to consideration and allowance of the non-elected claims that include all the recitations of the allowed generic claim.

Aside from the fee for the Petition for Extension of Time, no other fee is believed due with the submission of this response. Should any be due, please charge any such fees for this submission to Pennie & Edmonds LLP deposit account no. 16-1150.

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